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This Calendar Item No. 32
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No. 32 by the State Lands
Commission by a vote of 2
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Meeting.

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CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSED BEACH EROSION CONTROL
WITHIN GRANTED LANDS
CITY OF SANTA CRUZ

The State Lands Commission is required by Chapter 1291, Statutes of 1969, to approve "any plan for development involving filling, dredging or other improvements... 90 days prior to commencement of work thereon" occurring within the tide and submerged lands pursuant to that statute. The City of Santa Cruz has applied to State Lands Commission for such approval for the West Cliff Drive Beach Erosion project. The City wishes to place rock riprap at 17 selected locations along West Cliff Drive to repair storm damage from last winter's storms and to protect the City's bicycle path in this area. The rock is to be placed at the toe of the cliff in mostly existing riprap structures.

Staff review indicates that the project is located partially on lands the State granted under the 1969 Statute, partially on lands granted pursuant to Chapter 342, Statutes of 1872 as amended, and partially on uplands.

The purpose of Commission review is stated in Subsection (a) of the granting statute, as follows: "to insure that the provisions of Chapter 1642, Statutes of 1967, are being carried out and that any developments by local agencies pursuant to legislative grants or otherwise will be in accord with policies and plans included in the California Comprehensive Ocean Area Plan."

The legislation provided for appointment of a California Advisory Commission on Marine and Coastal Resources and for an annual report updating activities in connection with the plan. The legislation was repealed pursuant to Chapter 988, Statutes of 1973. While the original plan contains some provisions concerning beach erosion control, current regulations and review of the City's compliance with coastal resource issues is through the local coastal planning process. State Lands Commission's staff has reviewed the proposed work and the City's reports on issues of access and erosion control in its Local Coastal Program Land Use Plan. The project is a categorically exempt maintenance project under the California Environmental Quality Act. While the City's local coastal plan is still in the process of being prepared and adopted, the City's program for coastal access and erosion control are substantially in compliance with coastal planning policy.

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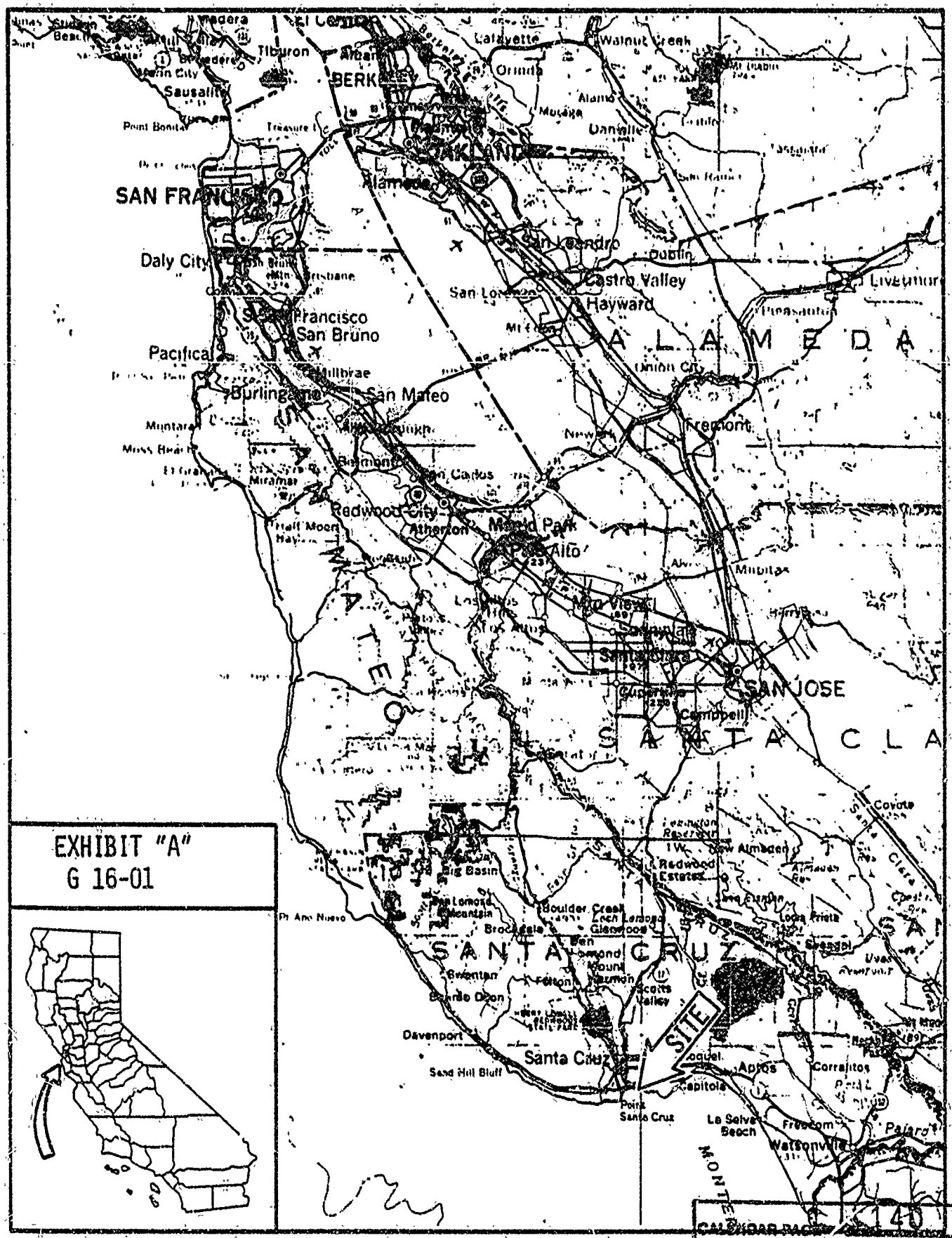
EXHIBITS: A. Site Map.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT THE PROPOSED WORK IS CONSISTENT WITH COASTAL PLANNING POLICY.
2. FIND THAT THE PROJECT OF BEACH EROSION CONTROL AT THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ IS CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF ITS GRANT OF TIDE AND SUBMERGED LANDS, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 1291, STATUTES OF 1969 AND WITH ITS GRANT OF TIDELANDS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 342, STATUTES OF 1872.

3. APPROVE THE PROPOSED WEST CLIFF DRIVE BEACH EROSION PROJECT.



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